Mrs. Earl Hamner, Sr.: A Great Lady

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flowers outside the house are one of her hobbies. She manages to find time to quilt one quilt each year and of course she watches television. Her favorite show? The Waltons, of course.

Just recently Mrs. Hamner had to get an unlisted phone number in order to avoid being besieged by phone calls. One evening recently she was watching the Waltons and the phone rang. A woman's voice said, "Mrs. Walton, I am watching your son's show --." Before the lady could talk further, Mrs. Hamner said "So am I, let's get on with it" and hung up!

According to Mrs. Hamner 85% of the happenings on the Waltons are based on fact and the remaining 15% is fiction. I asked if she had ever been disappointed in a show and she said, "No, but one time Earl was wrong. On one of the shows John Boy said his father had never been baptized, and my husband was baptized --- Earl just didn't remember."

In speaking of Earl's early interest in writing, Mrs. Hamner said that when her son was in high school he would read his Literature and Life Book the first week he received it at the beginning of the school year. Then his teacher complained that he was bored with the material when the class began to study it! Mrs. Hamner was continually finding little notes in Earl's pants pockets when she did the laundry. He continually took notes and he did keep a diary just as John Boy does on the show.

According to Mrs. Hamner, Earl made his first money in the field of writing when he wrote and sold a radio script for the Dr. Christian series; the script sold for $500.00.

While the Waltons have six children, Mrs. Hamner has seven. She explained it this way, "two of my sons had personalities so much alike that Earl decided to combine them into one character in the show."

While visiting the CBS studio in California, Mrs. Hamner enjoyed watching them film the show; She noted that it takes a week to film one sequence. Although she loves to travel, she is always glad to get home again. She said, "When I get back to my own kitchen, I always have a good feeling."

Although Mrs. Hamner loves people, she finds it difficult to find time for privacy. Tourists come by nearly every day and during the vacation months of July and August sometimes as many as 100 people visit each day. She has entertained people from Sydney, Australia, England, Scotland, Ireland, Alaska, Hawaii, Canada and every state in the union.

A round with arthritis prevented Mrs. Hamner from accepting an invitation to appear on the Mike Douglas show, but her love of people and interest in her son's work prompt her to travel as much as possible.

I asked her if she had been to Appomattox prior to her visit on Saturday. Her answer was, "Of course, when the children were studying the story of 'the surrender at Appomattox', we went there for a visit." A good mother, a good grandmother, a very special friend --- Mrs. Earl Hamner endears herself to all who are fortunate enough to meet her.

COUNTY SCHOOLS PROVIDE FULL SERVICE FOR EXCEPTIONAL STUDENTS

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dren are those whose physical condition(s) and/or special health problems result in the need for special provisions for educational purposes. This includes those children with organic, muscular, and neurological conditions affecting motor activities.

Children who are emotionally disturbed, demonstrate one or more of the following characteristics to a marked extend and over a period of time:

(a) An inability to learn which cannot be explained by intellectual, sensory or health factors.

(b) An inability to build or maintain satisfactory interpersonal relationships with peers and teachers.

(c) Inappropriate types of behavior or feeling under normal conditions.

(d) A general, pervasive mood of unhappiness or depression.

(e) A tendency to develop physical symptoms, pains, or fears associated with personal or school problems.

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Speech impaired children are those children who have abnormality of speech which calls adverse attention to itself or interferes with communication which may be related to problems with articulation, rhythm, voice, and/or oral language.

Children who are hearing impaired are those children whose hearing loss (after all necessary medical treatment, surgery, and/or use of hearing aids) significantly restricts benefit from or participation in the normal classroom program and necessitates a modified instructional program.

Multiple handicapped are those children whose combination of severely handicapping conditions requires extraordinary programs and/or services to meet their particular educational needs.

Children who are partially sighted are those children who have 20/70 vision or less in the better eye after best correction, up to but not including the definition for legal blindness. In some instances an eye doctor may recommend for services a child who has better visual acuity than 20/70.

USDA ANNOUNCES CHANGES IN FLUE-CURED TOBACCO PROGRAM

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factors in current legislation.

Under the second change, a farm will be eligible for price support if its reported (or determined) acreage planted to flue-cured tobacco does not exceed 110 percent of the farm allotment. A farm on which the planted acreage exceeds 110 percent of the allotment will receive a marketing card indicating "no price support." Marketing cards, issued by USDA's Agricultural Stabilization and conservation Service (ASCS), stipulate what quantity of tobacco a producer may sell without penalty and indicate a producer's eligibility for price support. Under previous regulations, price support was made available without regard to planted acreage.

On March 28, USDA proposed changes relating to lease and transfer and to limitations on planted acreage and called for public comment.

Responses received generally favored the decisions made today regarding lease and transfer. The Department originally proposed to issue "No price support" marketing cards to farmers planting in excess of 107 percent of their farm allotment. Most resondents considered the 107 percent figure too restrictive, especially this year, as many farmers have already planted their tobacco.

The flue-cured tobacco program is administered by ASCS. Detailed instructions on today's changes are being forwarded to county ASCS offices and will be available to producers after

Boy Scout Fund Drive Needs $472 For Quota

According to a report from W. M. Abbitt and Ivey Holland, co-chairmen of the Boy Scout Fund Drive for our county, as of Tuesday a total of $1,778.00 has been raised toward a toal for the county set at $2250.00. A total of $472 is still needed in order to reach the goal for Appomattox County.

The Appomattox Lions Club has done an excellent job with this fund raising project and are to be commended.

If you have not made a donation to the Boy Scouts and would like to do so, please stop by the office of W. M. Abbitt on Court Street and make your contribution - it will be appreciated.

FHA County Supervisor Appointed

William F. Mosby has been appointed County Supervisor for the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Farmer Home Administration Office in Appomattox. Mosby will serve as County Supervisor for Appomattox and Campbell counties. Mosby assumes his new duties after serving as Assistant County Supervisor for the past two years. Mosby began his new career upon his retirement from the U. S. Army as a Major after more than 20 years of active federal service in the military. Mosby is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Mosby, Sr., formerly of Brookneal, who now reside in Lynchburg.

Mosby and his wife, Marie, reside in the Brookneal area with two of their four children, Chrystal and Kevin. Two of their children, Faye and Bill, are graduating seniors this year from Eastern Kentucky University and The U. S. Military Academy respectively.

Mosby states that he will hold a meeting soon with contractors,builders, realtors, attorneys, bankers, representatives of local governing bodies & other interested parties for an update briefing on current Fm,Ha policies as he views them.

American Legion To Meet May 2nd

A pre-organizational meeting for the American Legion sponsored baseball team will be held May 2nd at 8 p.m. at the Post Home.

All interested members and interested friends are urged to attend this meeting so that plans can get underway for this important civic project.

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Lane Luncheon Rally

A number of county residents attended a luncheon Thursday of last week at Maudes Restaurant to get aquainted with Delegate Edward E. Lane, Democrat - Richmond, a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Attorney General subject to the Democratic Primary to be held in June of 1977.

Lane is shown standing in center of front row, photo above. Also shown in photo are Mrs. Carol Taylor, Mrs. Ida Campbell, Treasurer of Appomattox County; Mrs. Barbara Williams, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Appomattox County; T. DeWitt Evans; W. M. Abbitt, Attorney & Member of Congress, retired; Dick Burke; Monte Mays, Commissioner of Revenue for Appomattox County; Dr. A. A. Pratrick; Henry Pack, Mayor of the Town of Appomattox; Dr. J. A. Mathews; Jim Cobb, Chairman of the Appomattox County Board of Supervisors; Ralph Reynolds Floyd Williams; Ron Steinkamp Lloyd Walton, Division Superintendent of Appomattox County Schools; Robert Carter; and William A. Hunter.

Ed Lane is a lawyer with Law Offices, Edward E. Lane & Associates in Richmond. He has lived in Virginia all his life except during World War II. First elected to the House of Delegates in 1953, Lane served his first term in the 1954 session. He will have served in the House of Delegates for 24 years at the completion of his current term.

Ed Lane was named the Most Outstanding Young Man For the State of Virginia For The Year 1952.

SLIM AND TRIM is the objective and Virginia Fulcher, (above) of Route 1, Pamplin is on the way - having lost 50 pounds since January 12 on the Conway Diet Institute program. Her award - a silver pin, given to her Wednesday evening, April 20, at Fidelity Branch Bank building during the weekly Conway meeting conducted by Martha Stimpson, of Brookneal. The Conway program includes a 1,000 calorie diet plus information and encouragement through weekly meetings with other dieters. About ten others in the class have lost twenty pounds or more during the last few weeks. Virginia, an employee of the Thomasville Plant, Appomattox and her husband are parents of two young sons.

APPOMATTOX SENIOR CHAPTER FUTURE HOMEMAKERS MEET WITH HERO CHAPTER

On April 20, 1977 the Appomattox Senior Chapter Future Homemakers of America met in a joint meeting with the HERO Chapter. The meeting was held in the auditorium of ACHS. The HERO Chapter held their business meeting and then president, Teresa Cyrus, called the meeting to order. The business meeting was held. The Girl of the Month committee reported the Girl of the Month as Pam Taylor. The president then turned the meeting over the vice-president, Cheryl Elliott, who explained the program which would be a competitive fashion show with HERO and FHA competing. The judges for this were Mrs. Carol Abernathy, (Carole's Fashions), Mrs. Peggy Marshall (Marshall's Dept. Store), Mr. Jack Hutcherson, and Mr. Dennis Torrence. First place prizes were provided by Carole's Fashions and Marshall's Dept. Store. The winners were Gloria Hamlett, Willa Coleman, Diedra Tweedy and Vivian McFadden. Following dismissal, a tea was given by the HERO Chapter for the judges and those who participated.

STONEWALL

"For by grace you have been saved thorough faith; and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God." Eph. 2:8

Sunday we the members of Hebron had the burning of the note on our lovely new parsonage.

All assembled on the lawn and the pastor, Rev. E. V. Mitchell, and the Building Committee stood on the porch and burned the note. Afterwards all met on the pavillion and dinner was served. What a bountiful dinner the ladies had provided. All left with thanks to God for being so good to us.

Mrs. C. T. Roach, of Arvonia, spent Sunday with her father, Mr. J. O. Davidson.

Mrs. J. L. Harrison visited her father Sunday.

Mr. Andrew Elliott is doing nicely after his surgery Thursday. Hope he will be coming home soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Hop Elliott visited his son Sunday in the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Worley visited Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Wheeler Sunday afternoon.

We are so happy for Miss Gale Moore who won Miss Appomattox last Saturday night. She is a very talented girl.

Mr. Hubert Scruggs is doing better. He has a couple living with you now.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Harrison were visitors in Lynchburg one day last week. So nice to be able to get out any time of the year.

Sympathy goes out to the family of Mrs. Mundy Moore who was called to rest Saturday. She was buried at Trinity Tuesday.

Little Miss Kim Krantz was sick all last week and did not go to school, but is back this week.

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Area Women To Head "Breath of Spring" Bike-A-Thon

The Mighty Four 4-H Club held their regular monthly meeting at the County Extension Office on April 19, 1977. The meeting was called to order by the president. Pledges were said to the American and 4-H flags. The secretary read the minutes of the last meeting. There was no treasurers report. The old business presented to the club was: a discussion of the fishing contest, applicaitons are available. Seniors were very successful in District Competition. Junior contest will be April 23. Seven 4-H members placed first or second with their Achievement Record Books. Pine seedling forms are on hand. The Walk-A-Thon will be May 21. The Meats Team will be competing in May. Camp is scheduled for the week of August 1-5, many of our club's senior members will be asked to serve as teen leaders. The Interstate Exchange participants have been chosen, some of our members are participating. Lisa Moore was accepted into State 4-H Band. 4-H Club Congress will be the week of June 20-24.

New business for the club was: the annual 4-H Dog Show, please enter - if you have a dog! June is Dairy Month poster contest is set with this year's theme as "Milk Measures Up". There is a Bicycle Rodeo planned for this year. Members of our club will be needed to help with Day Camps this summer. A committee was chosen to plan activities for the summer. They are Kathy Lewis, Rhonda Nash, David Caldwell, Ernie Chenault, Susan Parris, and Dean Page. Our club is going to save Dr. Pepper bottle cap liners to redeem for cash. They're due on June 30. A program was given on camp slides. The meeting was adjourned.

The Activities Committee met following the meeting.

Rhonda Nash, Reporter

PAMPLIN MAN COMPLETES TRAINING

APRIL 25 - Marine Private William A. Haskins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hylner Haskins of Route 1, Box 203, Pamplin, Va., has completed recruit training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C.

During the 11-week training cycle, he learned the basics of battlefield survival. He was introduced to the typical daily routine that he will experience during his enlistment and studied the personal and professional standards traditionally exhibited by Marines.

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He joined the Marine Corps in December 1976.

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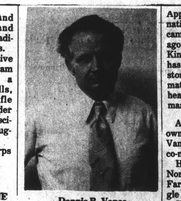

Dennis R. Vance

Named Co-Manager At King's

Dennis R. Vance has been named co-manager at KING'S Appomattox super market. A native of West Virginia, he came to Appomattox four years ago and began work with King's. During the past year he has worked at various King's stores and returned to Appomattox in January of 1977 as head stock clerk for the super market.

According to Ralph J. King, owner of the grocery chain, Vance assumed the duties of co-manager April 11, 1977.

He is married to the former Norma Cole, an employee at Farmers National Bank, Triangle Plaza Branch.

Vance says he is happy to be back in Appomattox, he looks forward to serving King's customers.

Jim Roach is manager at the local King's and H. T. Nash is co-manager.

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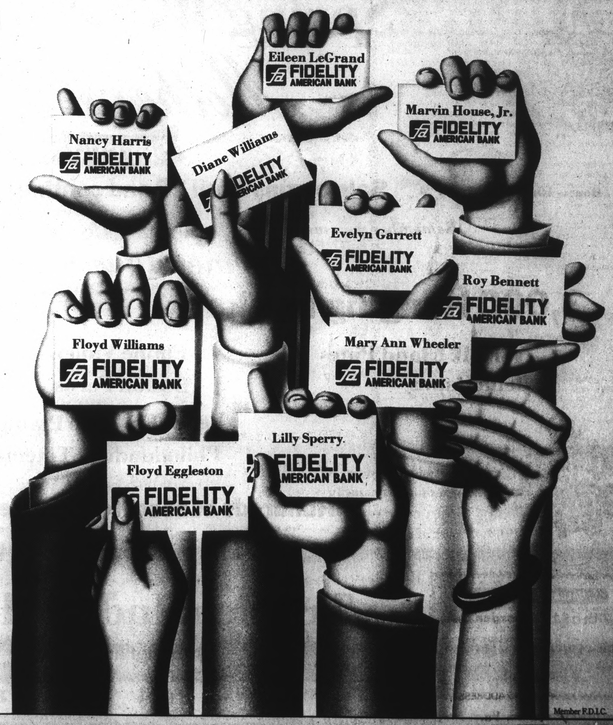

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